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TO DNREC SECRETARY SHAWN GARVIN:

AS A LONG TIME RESIDENT OF DELAWARE, I STRONGLY OPPOSE THE "ELECTRIC VEHICLE MANDATE." MY REASONS ARE AS FOLLOWS:

1. THIS IS A MATTER THAT VOTERS OF THIS STATE SHOULD BE ALLOWED TO VOTE YES OR NO ON DURING AN OFFICIAL ELECTION.
2. ELECTRIC VEHICLES ARE NOT PRACTICAL; TOO EXPENSIVE TO BUY, TOO EXPENSIVE FOR MAINTENANCE, WHICH ~~THE~~ ^{WILL} MOST AFFECT LOWER INCOME PEOPLE.
3. AN ENVIRONMENTAL HAZZARD WILL BE CREATED WHEN DISPOSING OF ELECTRIC CAR BATTERIES, BUILDING A NASTY POLLUTING FACTORY MAYBE? OR TAKE THEM OUT TO SEA AND DUMP THEM IN THE OCEAN? WILL THIS COST BE PASSED ONTO THE CONSUMER? SURE WILL.
4. THE BATTERIES AND OTHER SOPHISTICATED ELECTRONIC COMPONENTS WILL MOST LIKELY COME FROM CHINA. WHY HELP THEIR ECONOMY? THEY ARE NOT A COUNTRY WE SHOULD BE DOING BUSINESS WITH.

COMMON SENSE SHOULD RULE IN THIS MATTER. I SAY "NO" TO THIS ELECTRIC VEHICLE MANDATE. Paul E. Hudson